

Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)

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Developed By: Medical Necessity Criteria Committee

I. Description

A continuous glucose monitor (CGM) is a minimally invasive device that is designed to measure and record glucose levels continuously and automatically in a patient. The device measures glucose values in the interstitial fluid of subcutaneous tissue. The goal of CGM devices is to record patterns of glucose levels and use these patterns to guide patient management and improve overall glycemic control. A continuous glucose monitoring device is an adjunct to supplement, not replace, standard home glucose monitoring. These devices are used in specific clinical situations. Examples of CGM systems are: Medtronic iPro Professional® Continuous Glucose Monitoring System (CGMS), Guardian Real Time Glucose Monitor (MiniMed), and the STS Monitoring System (DexCom).

II. Criteria: CWQI HCS-0021

*Medicare – refer to Noridian LCD 33822 Glucose Monitors

- A. Continuous glucose monitoring is covered for **1** or more of the following conditions:
 - a. Moda Health will cover **short term** (72 hours to one week) diagnostic use of continuous glucose monitoring devices for members with poorly controlled type 1 or type 2 diabetes when **1 or more** of the following criteria are met:
 - i. Hypoglycemia unawareness
 - ii. Wide fluctuations of blood glucose levels despite documentation of blood glucose testing (greater than or equal to 4 times per day) and insulin administration (greater than or equal to 3 times/day)
 - iii. Unexplained frequent hypoglycemic episodes in a diabetic taking insulin
 - iv. Repeated hypoglycemia (less than 70 mg/dl) or hyperglycemia (greater than 150 mg/dl) at the same time each day
 - v. Suspected postprandial hyperglycemia
 - vi. Recurrent diabetic ketoacidosis
 - vii. Prior to insulin pump initiation to determine basal insulin levels

- b. Moda Health may cover **long-term** (greater than one week) therapeutic use of continuous glucose monitoring devices and related accessories and supplies if **ONE** of the following criteria are met;
 - i. Member is 18 years old or older and ALL of the following;
 - 1. Member has Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes
 - 2. Member is using 3 or more daily insulin injections or an insulin pump and is not meeting daily glycemic targets
 - ii. Member is younger than 18 years old and has Type 1 or Type II diabetes
- B. Moda Health will **NOT** cover any of the following:
 - 1. The GlucoWatch. The GlucoWatch is another device that measures interstitial glucose levels beyond 3 days. The use of this device is considered experimental and investigational and is not a covered item.
 - 2. Additional software that may be required for downloading data from a CGM to a computer for further management of member's diabetes. This is considered a convenience item and is not medically necessary.
 - 3. Combination devices such as a blood glucose monitor combined with a cellular telephone or other device not specifically indicated for the management of diabetes. These combination devices are considered convenience items and are not medically necessary
 - 4. Subcutaneous pocket and implanted continuous interstitial glucose monitoring devices. These devices are considered experimental and investigational because there is insufficient evidence in peer reviewed medical literature to support their use.

III. Information Submitted with the Prior Authorization Request (if available):

- 1. Physician progress notes for the past six months
- 2. Documentation of completion of comprehensive diabetic program and sufficient training regarding specific device.
- 3. Laboratory reports including HgA1c
- 4. Blood glucose logs

IV. CPT or HCPC codes covered:

Codes	Description
95249	Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a minimum of 72 hours; patient-provided equipment, sensor placement, hook-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, and printout of recording
95250	Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a minimum of 72 hours; sensor placement, hook-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, removal of sensor, and printout recording
95251	Analysis, interpretation and report
A4238	Supply allowance for adjunctive, non-implanted continuous glucose monitor (CGM), includes all supplies and accessories, 1 month supply

A4239	Supply allowance for non-adjunctive, non-implanted continuous glucose monitor (cgm),	
	includes all supplies and accessories, 1 month supply	
A9276	Sensor; invasive (e.g. subcutaneous), disposable, for use with interstitial continuous glucose	
	monitoring system, 1 unit = 1 day supply (not covered for Medicare)	
A9277	Transmitter; external, for use with interstitial continuous glucose monitoring system (not	
	covered for Medicare)	
A9278	Receiver (monitor); external, for use with non-durable medical equipment interstitial	
	continuous glucose monitoring system	
S1030	Continuous noninvasive glucose monitoring device, purchase	
S1031	Continuous noninvasive glucose monitoring device, rental, including sensor, sensor	
	replacement, and download to monitor	
G0308	Creation of subcutaneous pocket with insertion of 180 day implantable interstitial glucose	
	sensor, including system activation and patient training	
G0309	Removal of implantable interstitial glucose sensor with creation of subcutaneous pocket at	
	different anatomic sites and insertion of new 180 day implantable sensor, including system	
	activation	
E2102	Adjunctive, non-implanted continuous glucose monitor or receiver	
E2103	Non-adjunctive, non-implanted continuous glucose monitor or receiver	

V. CPT or HCPC codes NOT covered:

Codes	Description
0446T	Creation of subcutaneous pocket with insertion of implantable interstitial glucose
	sensor, including system activation and patient training
0447T	Removal of implantable interstitial glucose sensor from subcutaneous pocket via incision
0448T	Removal of implantable interstitial glucose sensor with creation of subcutaneous pocket
	at different anatomic site and insertion of new implantable sensor, including system
	activation

VI. Annual Review History

Review Date	Revisions	Effective Date
02/2013	Annual Review: Added table with review date, revisions, and effective date. Added additional criteria for the MySentry remote monitor	03/1/2013
01/2014	Annual Review: Combined Type 1 and Type 2 criteria	01/22/2014
01/2015	Annual Review: No change	01/28/2015
06/2015	Added Medicare Criteria, ICD-9 and ICD-10 Codes, updated HCPC codes	06/24/2015
07/2016	Annual Review: No changes	07/27/2016
07/2017	Annual Review: Remove reference to devices that are not related to CGM, update CPT/HCPC codes, update to new template	07/26/2017
8/2018	Annual Review: Minor wording changes, added ICD10 codes	08/22/2018

07/2019	Annual Review: Updated criteria to precisely indicate requirements to meet coverage for short-term and long-term therapeutic use of continuous glucose monitoring devices, verified and updated codes	08/01/2019
05/2020	Annual Review: reviewed requirements for long-term use of continuous glucose monitoring devices. Updated information requested for PA authorization	06/01/2020
05/2021	Annual Review: grammar updates -removed conflicting wording. No content change	06/01/2021
05/2022	Annual Review: updated coverage for CGM for type II diabetes for members younger than 18 years old	06/01/2022
05/2023	Annual Review: Updated CPT codes	06/01/2023

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- 23. Physician Advisors

Appendix 1 – Applicable ICD-10 diagnosis codes:

Codes	Description
E08.00	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with hyperosmolarity without
	nonketotic hyperglycemic-hyperosmolar coma (NKHHC)
E08.01	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with hyperosmolarity with coma
E08.10-E08.11	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with ketoacidosis
E08.21	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic nephropathy
E08.22	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic chronic kidney disease
E08.29	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with other diabetic kidney
	complication
E08.311-E08.319	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with unspecified diabetic
	retinopathy
E08.3211-E08.3219	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with macular edema
E08.3291-E08.3299	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic
	retinopathy without macular edema

E08.3311-E08.3319	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative
	diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E08.3391-E08.3399	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative
	diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E08.3411-E08.3419	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative
	diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E08.3491-E08.3499	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative
	diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E08.3511-E08.3519	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with macular edema
E08.3521-E08.3529	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula
E08.3531-E08.3539	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula
E08.3541-E08.3549	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous
	retinal detachment
E08.3551-E08.3559	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with stable proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy
E08.3591-E08.3599	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic
	retinopathy without macular edema
E08.36	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic cataract
E08.37X1-E08.37X9	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic macular edema,
	resolved following treatment
E08.39	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with other diabetic ophthalmic
	complication
E08.40-E08.49	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic neuropathy
E08.51-E08.59	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with circulatory complications
E08.610-E08.618	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic arthropathy
E08.620- E08.628	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with skin complications
E08.630- E08.638	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with oral complications
E08.641- E08.649	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with hypoglycemia with/without
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E08.65	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with hyperglycemia
E08.69	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with other specified complication
E08.8	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with unspecified complications
E08.9	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition without complications
E09.00	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity without
F00 01	nonketotic hyperglycemic-hyperosmolar coma (NKHHC)
E09.01	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity with coma
E09.10- E09.11	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with ketoacidosis
E09.21	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with diabetic nephropathy
E09.22- E09.29	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with diabetic kidney disease
E09.311- E09.3499	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with nonproliferative diabetic
	retinopathy with/without macular edema

E09.3511- E09.3599	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E09.36 Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with diabetic cataract		
E09.37X1- E09.37X9	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with diabetic macular edema,	
	resolved following treatment	
E09.39	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with other diabetic ophthalmic	
	complication	
E09.40- E09.49	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with neurological complications	
E09.51- E09.59	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with circulatory complications	
E09.610- E09.618	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with other diabetic arthropathy	
E09.620- E09.628	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with skin complications	
E09.641- E09.649	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with hypoglycemia with/without coma	
E09.65-E09/69	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with complication	
E09.8- E09.9	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus without complications	
E10.10- E10.11	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with ketoacidosis	
E10.21	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic nephropathy	
E10.22- E10.29	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic kidney disease	
E10.311- E10.319	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy	
E10.3211- E10.3499	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E10.3511- E10.3599	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E10.36	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic cataract	
E10.37X1- E10.37X9 Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic macular edema, resolved fo		
	treatment	
E10.39	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with other diabetic ophthalmic complication	
E10.40- E10.49	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic neuropathy	
E10.51- E10.59	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with circulatory complications	
E10.610- E10.618	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic arthropathy	
E10.620- E10.628	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with skin complications	
E10.630- E10.638	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with oral complications	
E10.641- E10.649	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with hypoglycemia	
E10.65	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia	
E10.69- E10.8	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with complications	
E10.9	Type 1 diabetes mellitus without complications	
E11.00	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity without nonketotic hyperglycemic-	
	hyperosmolar coma (NKHHC	
E11.01	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity with coma	
E11.21	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic nephropathy	
E11.22- E11.29	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic kidney disease	
E11.311- E11.319	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy	
E11.3211- E11.3499	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E11.3511- E11.3549	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E11.3551- E11.3559	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy	
E11.3591- E11.3599	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular	
	edema	
E11.36	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic cataract	

Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic macular edema, resolved following	
treatment	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other diabetic ophthalmic complication	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic neurological complication	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with circulatory complications	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic arthropathy	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with skin complications	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with oral complications	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hypoglycemia	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with other specified complication	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus with unspecified complications	
Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complications	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity without nonketotic	
hyperglycemic-hyperosmolar coma (NKHHC)	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with hyperosmolarity with coma	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with ketoacidosis	
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Other specified diabetes mellitus with diabetic arthropathy	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with skin complications	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with oral complications	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with hypoglycemia	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with other specified complication	
Other specified diabetes mellitus with unspecified complications	
Other specified diabetes mellitus without complications	
Pre-existing type 1 diabetes mellitus, in pregnancy	
Pre-existing type 1 diabetes mellitus, in childbirth	
Pre-existing type 1 diabetes mellitus, in the puerperium	
Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus, in pregnancy	
Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus, in childbirth	
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Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus, in the puerperium	
Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus, in the puerperium Unspecified pre-existing diabetes mellitus in pregnancy	
Pre-existing type 2 diabetes mellitus, in the puerperium Unspecified pre-existing diabetes mellitus in pregnancy Unspecified pre-existing diabetes mellitus in childbirth	

024.811- 024.819	Other pre-existing diabetes mellitus in pregnancy
024.82	Other pre-existing diabetes mellitus in childbirth
024.83	Other pre-existing diabetes mellitus in the puerperium
024.911- 024.919	Unspecified diabetes mellitus in pregnancy
024.92	Unspecified diabetes mellitus in childbirth
024.93	Unspecified diabetes mellitus in the puerperium

Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determination (NCD) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search/advanced-search.aspx. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCD):

Jurisdiction(s): 5, 8	NCD/LCD Document (s):	
Noridian Local Coverage Determination LCD 33822 Glucose Monitors		
https://med.noridianmedicare.com/documents/2230703/7218263/Glucose+Monitors		

NCD/LCD Document (s):
Noridian Glucose Monitor – Policy Article A52464

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions		
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC